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First Named Inventor	Breier et al.
Art Unit	1636
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.
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1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114

- a. ☒ Previously submitted
- i. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 previously filed on September 15, 2003
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other:

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____

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- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiencies, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-1355.
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e) \$385.00
- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☐ Other
- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$ 385.00 enclosed (Check No. 555937)
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